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NAVY DEPARTMENT
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Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

The second Bureau of Yards and Docks Seminar for the West Coast, covering a two weeks program of instruction and information for officers of the Civil Engineer Corps Reserve, is to be held at the Naval Construction Battalion Center in Port Hueneme, California, from the 4th to the 17th of November, 1948. These Seminars, together with the Seminars held in Washington for the East Coast, have become the outstanding Forum for the 100 CEC Reserve Officers that attend. The Port Hueneme Seminar is attended by Reserve Officers that come from the various parts of the United States west of the Mississippi River.

At the recent Washington Seminar, it was our privilege to have Brigadier General E. K. Wright, USA, Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, address the CEC Reserve Officer group on a very interesting subject that involved world conditions and Intelligence. It was so well received that it is particularly desired to have a similar presentation at the Port Hueneme Seminar for Wednesday, 10 November, at 1020.

We would like to have either you or Brigadier General E. K. Wright give this address and sincerely hope that it will be possible to do so. It is understood, by telephone conversation with General Wright, that definite word as to assignment cannot be had before about 15 October. However, your consent and early advice on this request will be greatly appreciated.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

s/

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